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CITY OF CHARLESTON - RECREATION COMMITTEE

MEETING OF 16 MAY 2017

A meeting of the Recreation Committee will be held at 3:00 p.m., on Tuesday, 16 May 2017, City Hall, 80 Broad Street, in the 1st Floor Conference Room.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Moment of Silence
3. Approval of the 21 February 2017 minutes
4. Departments:
 - a. Parks Improvement and Expansion
 - 1) Status of Improvements to:
 - a) Bender Street Park
 - b) WPAL Park
 - 2) Update on Lenevar Playground Replacement
 - 3) Update on plaques for the Mother Emanuel commemoration
 - 4) Report on condition of Park buildings in general and schedule for repairs
 - 5) Restrooms for Ferguson Village
 - b. Cultural Services – Cultural Plan
 - 1) Update on Spoleto and MOJA Festivals
5. Recreation Department and facilities
 - a. Natatorium update
 - b. Employee discounts at Municipal Golf Course
 - c. Draft program for creating a Hall of Fame for Parks and Recreation contributions
 - d. Naming of the multipurpose room after Marchitta Frayer (“Ms. Tee”)

6. An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Charleston, South Carolina, Chapter 2, Article IV, to separate the Arts and History Commission into two separate commissions, and to provide for the membership, the terms of office and the powers for each commission.
7. Miscellaneous Business
8. Adjournment

Cp: Councilmember Dudley Gregorie, Chair
Councilmember Rodney Williams, Vice Chair
Councilmember Marvin Wagner
Councilmember Kathleen Wilson
Councilmember Peter Shahid, Jr.
Mayor John J. Tecklenburg
Laurie Yarbrough, Director, Recreation Department
Jason Kronsberg, Deputy Director, Parks
Scott Watson, Director, Cultural Affairs
Janie Borden, Assistant Corporation Counsel

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Ratification
Number _____

AN ORDINANCE

TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, TO SEPARATE THE ARTS AND HISTORY COMMISSION INTO TWO SEPARATE COMMISSIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP, THE TERMS OF OFFICE AND THE POWERS FOR EACH COMMISSION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

Section 1. Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 5, shall be renamed from the Arts and History Commission to the Commission on the Arts.

Section 2. Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 5, is hereby amended by deleting Sections 171 through, and including, 175 and adding thereto the following language which shall read as follows:

Sec. 2-171. - Title.

This division shall be known as and may be cited as the “Commission on the Arts”.

Sec. 2-172. - Findings.

The city council of the City of Charleston recognizes the benefits of art and the role the arts play in defining a community’s unique identity and civic pride. The City further recognizes that research has shown that the arts foster economic development, improve the local business climate, enhance the image of the community and promote cultural tourism. Additionally, artwork viewable by the public enhances aesthetics and complements scenic, natural, and landscape features in a built environment, providing psychological advantages to citizens and visitors. Furthermore, art, in all of its varied forms and styles, expresses the confidence, vitality and optimism of the community and its goal of enhancing livability for all its citizens.

Sec. 2-173. – Commission on the Arts; created; membership; terms of office; powers.

(a) Purpose. To promote public participation in, and appreciation of, the visual, performing, and literary arts, as well as, to support and participate in the presentation of exhibitions, performances, lectures and symposia and to cooperate with and assist public and private educational institutions, the media, and other private and governmental entities involved in artistic and cultural promotion.

(b) Created. There is hereby created the "Commission on the Arts".

(c) Membership. The Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of city council and shall consist of thirteen members, two of whom shall be members of city council. In making appointments, consideration shall be given to professionals in, and to persons demonstrating knowledge of and appreciation for, the arts. The membership of the Commission should represent the broad arts constituency rather than individual disciplines, and the commission should have a balanced membership reflecting in-depth knowledge of the various disciplines, large and small institutions, educational institutions, individual artists, and principles of arts administration. The commission should also reflect Charleston's ethnic diversity. The members of the Commission shall serve for two year terms or until their successors have been appointed and qualified. The Mayor shall annually appoint one of the Commission's members to be chairperson.

(d) Powers. The Commission shall serve as an advisory body to the Mayor and city council in all arts-related matters, including long range planning, public art, and City-sponsored cultural programs and events. The Commission shall promote close cooperation between the City and all private citizens, institutions, and agencies interested in or conducting activities relating to the arts in the City, so that all art resources within the city may be coordinated to maximize promotion and support of the arts in the City. The Commission shall encourage communication between arts organizations; and foster and assist the continued development of the arts in the City. The Commission shall also annually recommend to the Mayor a minimum of three citizens to act as an Ambassador to the Arts. The Mayor may select an Ambassador to the Arts from the recommendations. Annually, the Commission shall file or make a report to city council, summarizing the activities of the Commission.

Sec. 2-174. - Art.

No painting, picture, sculpture or other work of art ("public art") shall hereafter be permanently displayed or erected on any public street or park unless it first has been approved by the Commission, subject to final approval by city council.

Sec. 2-175. - Reserved.

Section 3. Chapter 2, Article IV, is hereby amended by adding thereto a Division 9 entitled, "Commission on History", by renumbering the sections of Chapter 2, Article IV, to accommodate for the new Division 9 and by further adding thereto the following language which shall read as follows:

DIVISION 9. – THE COMMISSION ON HISTORY

Sec. 2-XXX. – Title.

This division shall be known as and may be cited as the "Commission on History".

Sec. 2-XXX. - Findings.

The city council finds and declares that the City of Charleston has a rich historical heritage which should be protected and preserved, and that it is in the public interest that historical monuments, markers, and plaques be regulated under the police power of the City in order to maintain, protect and promote historical accuracy and preservation for the well-being and welfare of the citizens, residents and visitors of the City of Charleston.

Sec. 2-XXX. – Commission on History; created; membership; terms of office; powers.

(a) Purpose. To discover, and as appropriate, circulate information pertinent to the historical identity of the City of Charleston; to cooperate with other persons, groups, organizations and agencies in preserving the history and heritage of the City; and to identify, document, interpret, and preserve the history of Charleston, South Carolina.

(b) Created. There is hereby created the "Commission on History".

(c) Membership. The Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of city council and shall consist of thirteen (13) members, two (2) of whom shall be members of city council. In making appointments, consideration shall be given to professionals in, and to persons demonstrating knowledge of and appreciation for, the fields of history, preservation, and historical curatorship. The Mayor and city council shall consider, but shall not be required to appoint, persons familiar with or associated with the Charleston Museum, the South Carolina Historical Society, and the Preservation Society of Charleston. Members of the Commission shall serve for a term of one (1) year or until their successors have been appointed and qualified. For purpose of commission action, a quorum of the Commission on History shall consist of five (5) members of the Commission in attendance.

(d) Powers. The Commission shall act as an advisory board in promoting the collection and preservation of historical data, publicizing and commemorating persons, deeds, events and things of historical interest, through publication, erection of monuments, markers and otherwise. The Commission may also serve as a resource for the verification of information to be included on City historical plaques, markers, publications and monuments, and shall further report to the council, at least annually,

the condition of City statues and other monuments, and make recommendations to the council concerning the proper conservation thereof.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon ratification.

Ratified in City Council this _____ day of _____ in the Year of Our Lord, 2017, in the _____ Year of Independence of the United States of America.

By:

John J. Tecklenburg, Mayor
Mayor, City of Charleston

ATTEST:

Vanessa Turner Maybank
Clerk of Council